



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the United States Secret Service announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

The Honorable Judge Laurie Smith Camp, United States District Court Judge, sentenced Linda M. Wilson of Council Bluffs, Iowa to a term of imprisonment of 21 months and ordered her to pay restitution in the amount of \$266,272.25 following her conviction for interstate transportation of stolen property.

Wilson was employed as a bookkeeper with Novia Corporation, an Omaha area internet service provider. She embezzled the funds by stealing accounts receivable checks made payable to Novia and then depositing those checks into her personal bank account. Because she was the bookkeeper, she was able to conceal the fact that the payments received had not been deposited into Novia's business accounts. The stolen checks were transported across state lines. Wilson is scheduled to report to the Federal Bureau of Prisons no later than March 4, 2010.

Name of Defendant: Linda Wilson

AKA:

DOB: 12/16/1951

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Interstate transportation of stolen property, 10 years imprisonment, up to a \$250,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, not less than 3 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: From on or about the 30th day of April, 2003 to on or about the 6th of August 2008

Federal Arrest Date: July 8, 2009

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: May 21, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: July 8, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): October 5, 2009

Sentencing Date: January 4, 2010

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released from Custody

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: Laurie Smith Camp

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